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**Aluminumware, Graniteware  
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## ;; COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE ::

### FLAT RIVER

A crowd of Flat River folks attended the dance in Farmington Saturday night. Those who went were: Misses Pearl Phillips, Ruth Miller, Kate Dempsey, Marie Villars; Messrs. Kenneth Kirkland, Louis Miller, Chas. Mitchell, Walter Dempsey. All reported a good time.

Cecil Flannery is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Flannery.

F. W. Schlick was in Farmington Sunday.

Kosuth Allen of Pontiac, Mich., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Allen. Kosuth is employed in Michigan.

Misses Elsie and Hilda Schlick and Mr. Henry were Farmington visitors Monday.

Misses Maude and Leota Son of Bonne Terre visited here Friday.

The Flat River young folks are being delighted with the weather this week. They report skating fine and the best sport possible.

Gilbert Abernathy was a Flat River visitor Tuesday.

Harry Williams of Farmington was a Flat River visitor Sunday.

Bryan Coffman, who has been enrolled as a student in the Illinois State University, returned home Monday to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Edith Hart, who has been in Detroit for some time, returned home Saturday night. She expects to return the first of next month.

Mrs. Albert Tongue, who has been here for the past month visiting her parents and friends, left Tuesday to join her husband who is employed in Kansas. She was accompanied as far as St. Louis by her mother, Mrs. G. B. Williams.

Miss Wilma Higgins has accepted a position in Woods' Confectionary.

Alec Hawn, Warren Belknap and Paul Clay of Farmington were Flat River visitors Sunday.

Earl Scott, Harold Francis, Kosuth Allen and Barney Hart are home from Detroit to spend Christmas.

A. W. Bradshaw of Farmington was a business visitor in Flat River Monday.

Misses Pauline Tucker and Belva Watts spent Sunday in Bonne Terre visiting friends.

Rev. and Mrs. F. S. Stamm left Wednesday for River Rouge, Mich., where they organized a church about a month ago. The people of the Flat River Christian church regret to lose Rev. and Mrs. Stamm, but they wish them all the success possible.

Mrs. J. H. Kirkland was a business visitor in St. Louis Saturday.

Charles Rowe, who has been employed in Omaha, Neb., since July, returned home this week to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Rowe.

Miss Julia Bass, who has been employed for several months as saleslady in Tucker's store, expects to resign shortly after the holidays and go to Columbia, Mo., and enter school. Miss Julia taught in the Flat River school one term.

Dr. T. L. Haney went to St. Louis Thursday and returned Saturday, bringing with him his son, Ralph, who has been in the Barnes Hospital. He seems much improved and expects to be out again soon.

Horace Patt and Harry Bloom, who have been in Detroit, came home Monday.

Bill Sacks of Elvins was a Flat River visitor Tuesday.

Misses Ora Mosier, Hester White, and Leah Alper, who are attending the Columbia University, are spending the holidays with home folks.

Children Tetley and Mac Denman of Farmington were Flat River visitors Sunday.

Arthur Watts, who has been in Illinois for some time in the employment of the Doe Run Lead Co., spent Tuesday night here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Watts. He left Wednesday morning for Kansas to transact further business for his company.

Fred Sutterfield was a Farmington visitor Thursday.

Byron Ball was a Farmington visitor Tuesday. While there he called at the Business College, which school he expects to enter as a student after the holidays.

Miss Naomi Brown has accepted a position as saleslady in the Five and Ten Cent store.

Chas. Goff and Courtney Norwine are here visiting home folks.

Earl Scott was a Farmington visitor Sunday.

James and Alvin Layne and Jack Hahn of Elvins were Flat River visitors Tuesday.

Mac Denman and Milton Simms of Farmington were Flat River business visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hughes of St. Louis are visiting relatives and friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. McCarver and children, Thelma and Paul, of East Prairie, are here visiting relatives.

### ELVINS

Mrs. Grover Cooksey, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Wm. Kinney, the past month, returned to her home in Detroit, Mich., Monday.

Paul Sutton, who has been in Detroit, is visiting his parents here during the holidays.

Ed McLeod left Monday for St. Louis.

Chas. Sizemore and daughters, Flosie and Virginia, visited relatives in St. Louis Wednesday.

Mrs. Maude McLeod visited friends at Flat River Sunday.

Wilbur Lee, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fingers, died Wednesday morning at five o'clock. He was sick one month with pneumonia and typhoid fever. Everything was done to save the little life, but all in vain. He was 16 months old, and leaves to mourn his death, mother, father, brother, and two grandmothers and one grandfather. He was laid to rest in the Methodist cemetery at Elvins.

Melbourn Whaley, who has been employed in Detroit, returned home to spend the Christmas holidays with his

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Whaley. "Boots" Polite and Gentry Clinton were Flat River visitors Sunday. Miss Lucy Kenner left for Texas Saturday to visit her sister.

Mrs. Hart and son, Charley, of St. Louis are visiting relatives here this week.

Miss Maude McLeod was an Elvins visitor Monday and Tuesday. Amelia Degrant of Desloge was an Elvins visitor Tuesday.

Miss Dorothy Brown of Farmington was an Elvins visitor Wednesday. Blacklegoids and Injectors at Laakman's Drug Store.

"Grandpa" Hobalt has been on the sick list the past week, but is improving.

Ray Cutaway of Crystal City, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Doiron, returned to his home Friday.

Miss Macey Ellis has been visiting relatives in Sprott the past week.

Mrs. Elmer Dalton of near Farmington was an Elvins visitor Thursday.

Mrs. Emma Lightfoot and children, who have been in Detroit for the past few months, returned here Monday.

Mrs. Robt. Evans and son, Melvin, were shopping in St. Louis Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Birch motored to Doe Run Sunday.

Willard, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Braddy, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is improving.

Mrs. Walter Braddy and little son of St. Louis are spending a few weeks here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Yates visited relatives at Leadwood Sunday.

Lawrence, little son of Mr. and Mrs. John Howard, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is improving.

Mrs. Geo. McClary, who has been in a very critical condition, is slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Woodruff visited Mrs. Woodruff's brother, Tom Vandergriff, of Knob Lick, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Walter Braddy, who has been visiting relatives here, returned to her home in St. Louis Sunday.

Miss Blanche Stout of St. Louis, came to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. J. Stout.

The three children of Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard are on the sick list.

Mrs. F. White returned from Lutesville, where she went to get her little daughter who until a short time ago had been in the orphanage at Farmington.

Mrs. Wm. Moore and daughter were guests of Mrs. Henry Brown Friday.

### CROSS ROADS

The writer wishes everybody a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Miss Nellie Tesreau returned to her home here last week from Festus. The factory where she was employed is closed down for lack of fuel.

Gus Vessels was a business visitor at Farmington last Monday.

James Tucker lost a valuable horse last Sunday night.

Jeff Barron returned home from

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**Liggetts, Guths and Fenways Chocolates**  
one, two, three and five pound boxes  
from 75c to \$5.00

**Fine Quality Bulk Chocolates**  
75c a pound

**CITY DRUG STORE**  
"THE REXALL STORE"

Flat River last Thursday.

Oscar Henry and Mr. Ashby were Womack visitors last Friday.

There was no school here last Monday, the teacher being absent.

Mrs. Wm. Lenz spent a few hours last Tuesday morning with her sister, Mrs. Vessels.

Mrs. Albert Pirtle and children spent last week with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Deguire and Hazel Johnson of Mine La Motte spent Monday here with relatives.

Grandma Bequette is reported on the sick list.

Blacklegoids and Injectors at Laakman's Drug Store.

Mrs. John Pirtle returned to her home here last week, after spending several days with her daughter, Mrs. Miles Barron, at Flat River.

Ollie King of Womack passed through here Thursday en route to Fredericktown.

Mrs. Wm. Tesreau spent Friday with Mrs. Wm. Lenz and family.

Wm. Lenz was a business visitor at Farmington last Tuesday.

### BISMARCK

I. A. Rainwater was a Bellevue visitor Friday.

Mrs. Ida Kettinger visited relatives at Farmington last week.

Miss Dorothy Phillips of Bellevue was guest of Miss Fannie Sinclair last week.

Miss Violet French of Irondale spent last week with Bessie Woodrow.

Mrs. Alley West returned home from Hot Springs, Ark., Monday, where she has been taking treatment for several weeks. She reports being greatly improved in health.

Mrs. E. J. Hitzeman was in Graniteville several days last week.

J. O. Hughes of Missoula, Mont., arrived here Saturday night for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Eliza Hughes, and other relatives.

A bazaar was given by the ladies of the Baptist church Tuesday afternoon in the F. F. Beard real estate office.

Dr. P. H. Barth was a professional visitor in DeSoto Tuesday.

Blacklegoids and Injectors at Laakman's Drug Store.

W. H. Simms was home from Farmington Sunday and Monday.

Louis Johnson made a business trip to Cape Girardeau Friday.

Miss Marie Misaughan visited relatives in St. Louis the week end.

Wesley Sisk came home Saturday to spend several days with home folks.

Mrs. Z. Welker spent Monday in St. Louis.

C. A. Creager came here Tuesday from Hoxie, Ark., where he will spend the holidays with his brother, W. C. Creager, and family.

Mrs. Absant, aged 79 years, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. G. M. Grenia, after a long illness with typhoid fever. The funeral was held Thursday morning, services being conducted by Rev. L. G. Marlin. Interment was in the Caledonia cemetery.

Miss Martha Horn of Bonne Terre visited relatives here Sunday evening.

Mrs. P. Smith and daughter, Mrs. Cora Rinewalt, of Bonne Terre, are visiting relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rhodes and daughter, Eva Bell, Misses Olga Heaton and Mullin Hawk visited at the home of Wm. E. Heaton Tuesday and Wednesday.

Misses Ada, Elsie and Olga Heaton, Mullin Hawk, and Ab Sykes and Bud Riddle attended church at Coonville Tuesday night.

Leeman Richardson of Flat River visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Richardson, the latter part of the week.

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Miss Ada Heaton was shopping in Bonne Terre Wednesday.

### VALLES MINES

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rhodes were called to Besseville, Mo., on Friday on account of the serious illness of Mr. Rhodes' mother, Mrs. Chas. Rhodes.

Ellis Grandjean, Henry Turley, Jake Buscher and Jas. Thurman were DeSoto visitors Friday.

Earl Hawk, who is working at Festus, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hawk.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Turley and daughter were Bonne Terre visitors Saturday.

Misses Olga and Elsie Heaton visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Shannon Saturday and Sunday, and attended church at Coonville Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Hettie Appleberry visited relatives in Farmington the latter part of the week.

Miss Gladys Stroup visited home-folks in Bonne Terre Saturday and Sunday.

Fenton Thurman was a Bonne Terre visitor Sunday.

Earl Hawk was a Festus visitor Sunday and Monday.

Miss Neva Nussbaumer is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Lizzie Turley, a few days.

Felix Buscher of Arizona is spending a few weeks with his father, J. A. Buscher.

Several from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Lem Fraizer at Charter Sunday.

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We have an irresistible assortment of Beef, Pork and Lamb.  
Leave your orders for Dressed Poultry for Christmas not later than Tuesday, December 23rd.

Mixed Nuts, extra fancy—special, 3 lbs. 95c  
We have plenty of Sugar.

Bananas, Oranges, Grapefruit, Apples.

Celery, Oysters, Cranberries.

Lettuce, Radishes, Green Onions,

Spanish Onions.

Dates, Figs, Plum Pudding.

Bulk Dill Pickles, Sour Pickles,

Sweet Mixed Pickles.

Prunes, Raisins, Currants.

You ought to try some of our good old-fashioned Sauer Kraut;  
it's fine—2 pounds for 15 cents.

**BURNETTE'S MEAT MARKET**

## TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!

Toys are very scarce this year, but by buying early we were able to secure a large supply and a very good assortment, which will please both boys and girls.

Call early and make your selection before they are picked over. We will gladly hold your orders til X'mas if necessary.

Yours for Bargains,

**THE FAMOUS**